

Minutes

IBC

Meeting Date:

October 21, 2025

Minutes Status:

In Progress

Meeting Location

Remote Via Zoom

Meeting Attendance

Member	Attended	Voting	Staff	Scientific	Affiliated	Committee Member Role	Expertise	Job Title
Carranza, Gabriel	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Member	Environmental Safety	Executive Director of Global Engagement Adjunct Research Faculty
Chistoserdov, Andrei Ph.D.	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Biosafety Officer	Microbiology	Professor
Hayes, Chris MD	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Member	Public Health	Retired Physician
Holmes, William	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Chair	Microbiology	Director of Process Analytics and Process Chemistry
John, Lee III	No	Yes	No	No	No	Non-affiliated member	Public Health	GOHSEP Region 4 Coordinator
Louka, Febee	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Member	Environmental Safety	Professor
Miller, Lindsey	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Member	Occupational Health	Occupational Health Program Coordinator
O'Shea, Brian	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Member	Animals, Microbiology	Chief Operating Officer
Ruiz, Steph non-admin (Alt)	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ex-Officio	Animals, Microbiology	Research Compliance Coordinator
Schneider-Broussard,	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ex-Officio, Non-voting	Animals, rDNA	Director, Office of

Robin Ph.D.									Research Integrity
Smith, Josh DVM	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Member	Animals		Senior Clinical Veterinarian
Toups, Carl BGS	No	Yes	No	No	No	Non-affiliated member	Animals		Marketing & Sales Manager
Wang, YiHong	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Member	Plants, rDNA		Associate Professor
Wininger, Carl B.S.	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Vice Chair	Environmental Safety, Occupational Health		Director of Environmental, Health & Safety

Call to Order

Guest – Sarah Hebert
Meeting starts at 10:03 AM

Review of Minutes

Minutes from the last meeting were accepted.

Review of Old Business

Review of New Business

Note added as reminder prior to minutes generation.
send back for training information about Zika Virus exposures and hazards. BSO and IBC Chair can review and approve the revisions.

IBC-25-005 PI - Ian Patterson

The committee members agreed the PI needs to provide training materials that will educate workers on the risks of Zika virus being sexually transmitted and affecting fetal development as well as describe the training procedures. IBC coordinators will add additional questions in IBC applications requesting PIs to provide details on how laboratory workers will be educated and/or trained regarding pathogen handling and health risks. The committee reviewed all current training records for personnel listed in the project.

Motion to send back to PI for revision, and those revisions will be reviewed by BSO and Chair once more following changes, and if changes are sufficient, the protocol will be approved.

Project Number	IBC-25-005
Project Title	Characterizing and inhibiting replication of arboviruses
Principal Investigator	Patterson, Edward
Department	Biology
Project Summary	The project will characterize arboviruses to determine differences in pathogenicity between different isolates and evaluate methods to inhibit replication. These arboviruses will be used to evaluate the hypothesis that a mosquito infected with insect-specific viruses may be able to prevent the mosquitoes from becoming infected with or transmitting arboviruses that cause disease in humans and animals. Recombinant viruses in this application may contain fluorescent reporter genes. The project will also detect antibodies in serum/plasma samples that would indicate prior infection or exposure to specific viruses.
NIH Guidelines	Section III-D-1-a. Section III-D-3-a.
Risk Assessment	RG2
Biosafety Level	BL2

Other Business

IBC discussed that NIH requires approved meeting minutes to be added to a website if meetings occurred on or after June 1st 2025.

The committee discussed potential pathogen and/or recombinant DNA training requirements for IBC Principal Investigators.

The IBC discussed mandatory training assignments for personnel.

IBC member will provide those trainings to the IBC coordinator to share with the IBC committee for review.

Schedule Next Meeting

TBA

Adjourn

10:57 AM